

City of Los Altos



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Dog Park Public Workshop Results

Public Workshops: February 12 and 29, 2020

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Public Workshop Outreach



4 Public Workshops: 
Options for a Dedicated Fenced-In Park & Off-Leash Hours Program

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Interactive workshops will include:

- A review of history, criteria, pros & cons
- Fenced-in Dog Park options at McKenzie Park and South Lincoln Park
- Off-Leash Hours Program options at Hillview Baseball Field and Heritage Oaks Park
- Opportunity to comment, anonymously

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Public Workshop Statistics

Total Participants: 296

- Residents 289
- Non-residents 7

Resident Participation: 289

- Workshops 1 & 2 166
- Workshops 3 & 4 112
- Walk-ins 11

Resident Dog Owners vs Non-Dog Owners

- Dog Owners 188
- Non-Dog Owners 97
- No Response 4

Instructions

1. Listen to the presentation
2. Read all posters
3. Consider each proposal (fenced-in dog park and off-leash hours) separately
4. Select one off-leash hours option
5. Select one fenced-in option
6. Separate your cards along the perforations
7. Drop your cards in the coordinating colored box
8. Thank you for only participating once

Fenced-In Dog Park Pilot Locations



Fenced-In Dog Park
Delisted

SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

McKenzie Park
Fenced-In:

I do not want a fenced-in dog
park at all

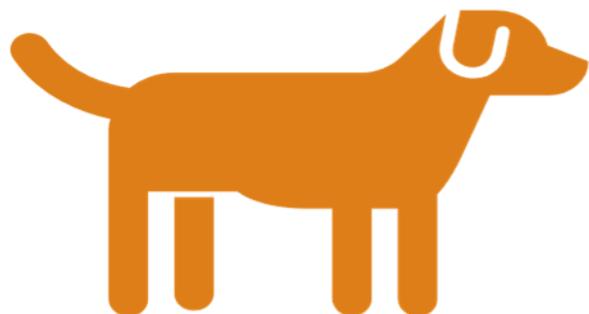
South Lincoln
Fenced-In:

I want a fenced-in pilot dog park
but not at these locations:

NOTE: If not in these locations, where:

Both Locations
Fenced-In:

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Please Print Legibly

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

Email: _____

Dog Owner: Yes No
(Circle One) 1

Off-Leash Hours Pilot Program Locations



Off-Leash Hours Program
Shared with Existing Users

SELECT ONE OPTION ONLY

Hillview Baseball Field
Off-Leash Hours:

I do not want an off-leash pilot
program at all:

Heritage Oaks Park
Off-Leash Hours:

I want an off-leash pilot program
but not at these locations:

NOTE: If not in these locations, where:

Both Locations
Off-Leash Hours:

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Fenced-in Dog Park Results

Fenced-In Resident Statistics

Total Participants: 288 (1 “No Response”)

Responses for one or both locations: 112 (38.9%)

- McKenzie: 29 (10.1%)
- South Lincoln: 19 (06.6%)
- Both Locations: 64 (22.2%)

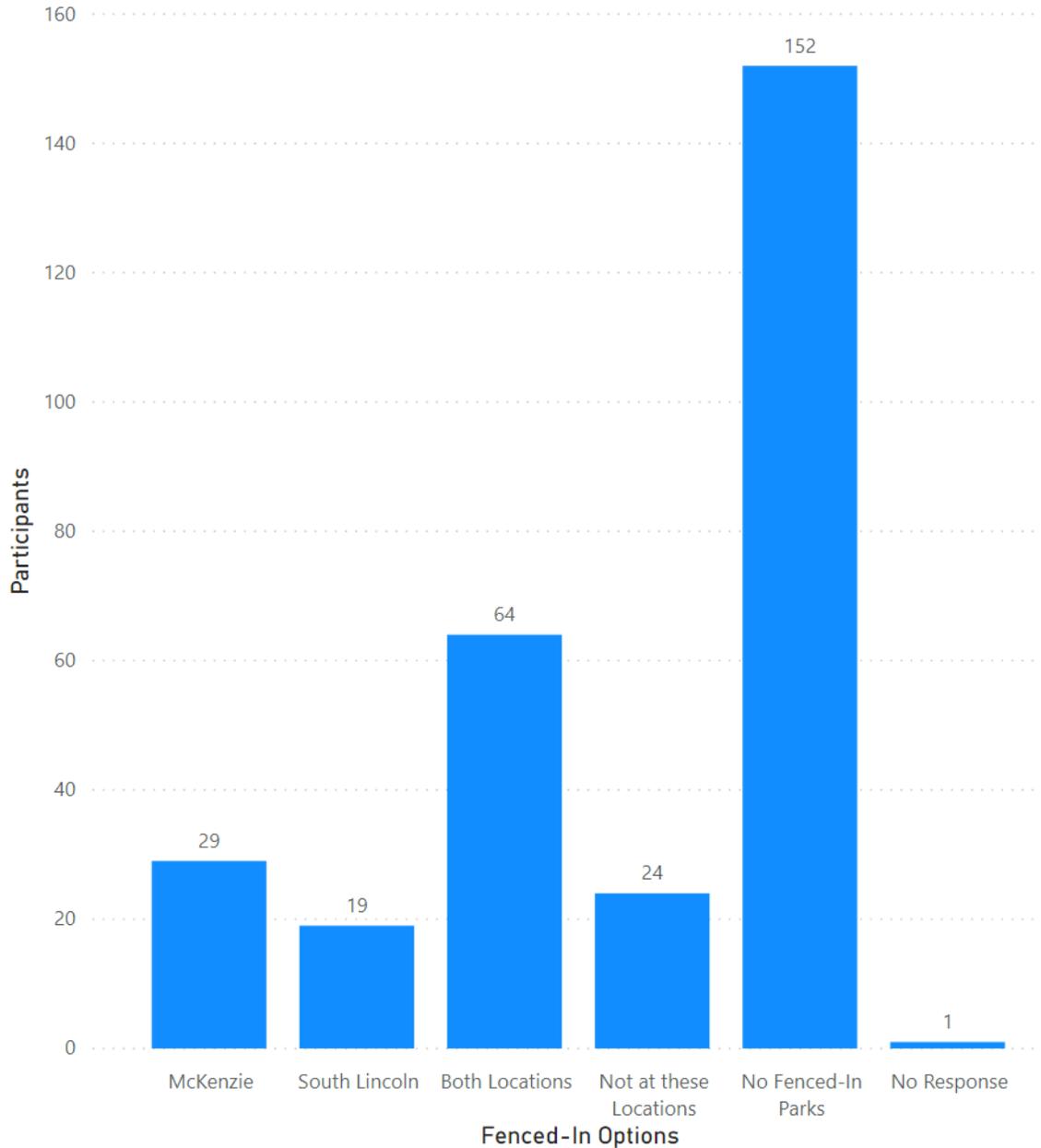
Responses for “Not at these Locations”: 24 (08.3%)

Responses for “No to Fenced-in Dog Parks”: 152 (52.8%)

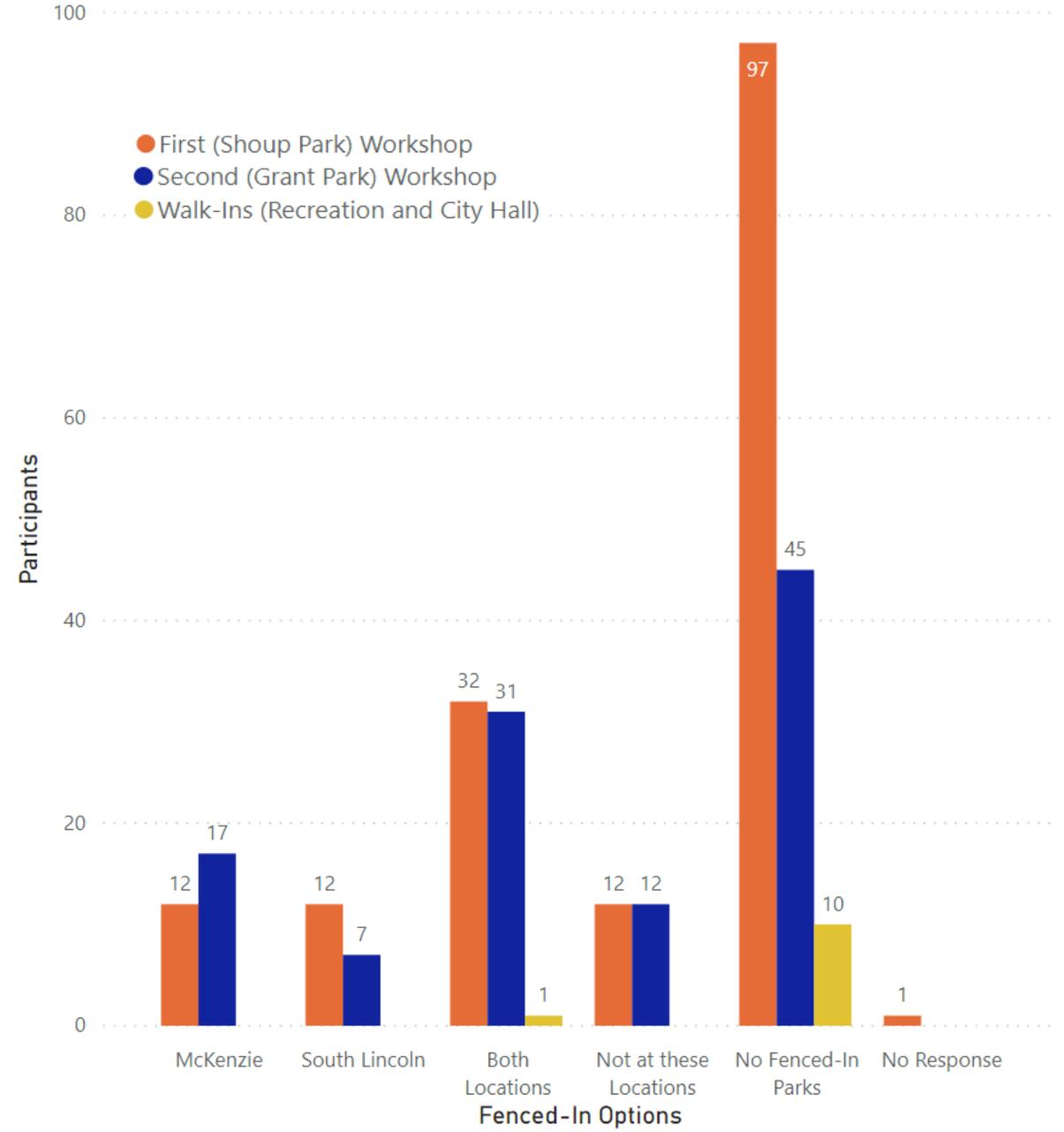
Next Popular Fenced-in Location was:

- Grant Park (6)

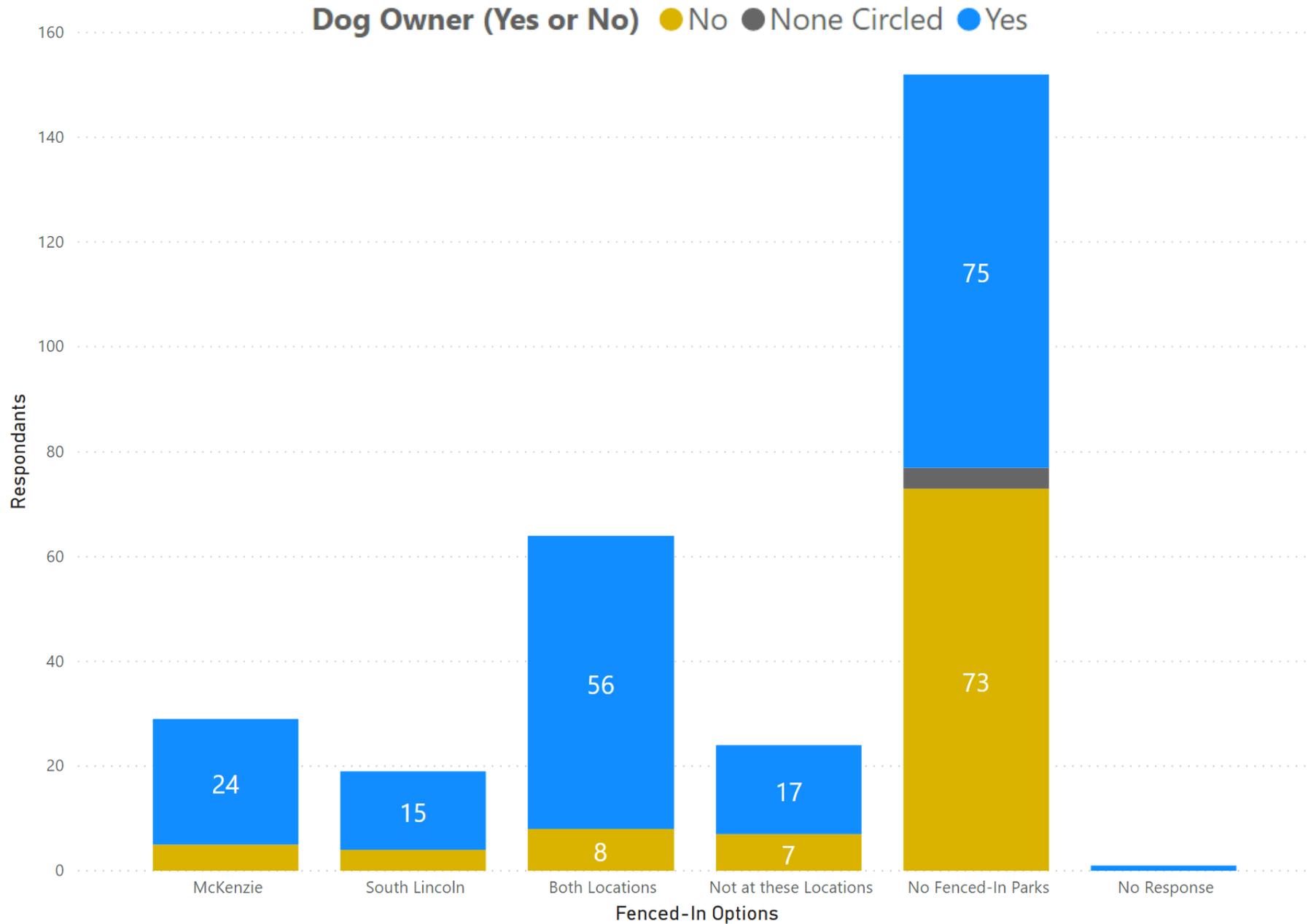
Fenced-In Dog Park Options



Fenced-In Dog Park Options by Workshop

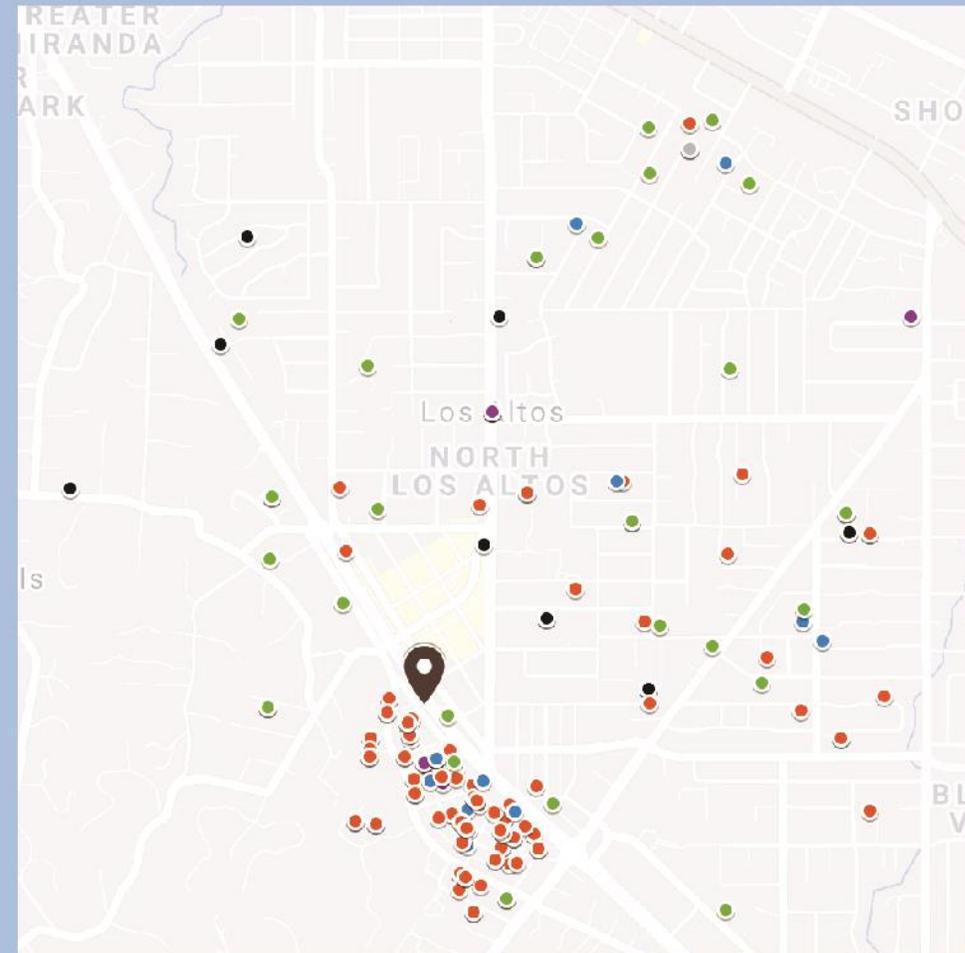


Fenced-In Dog Park Options by Dog Ownership



Fenced-in Dog Park Preference by Address

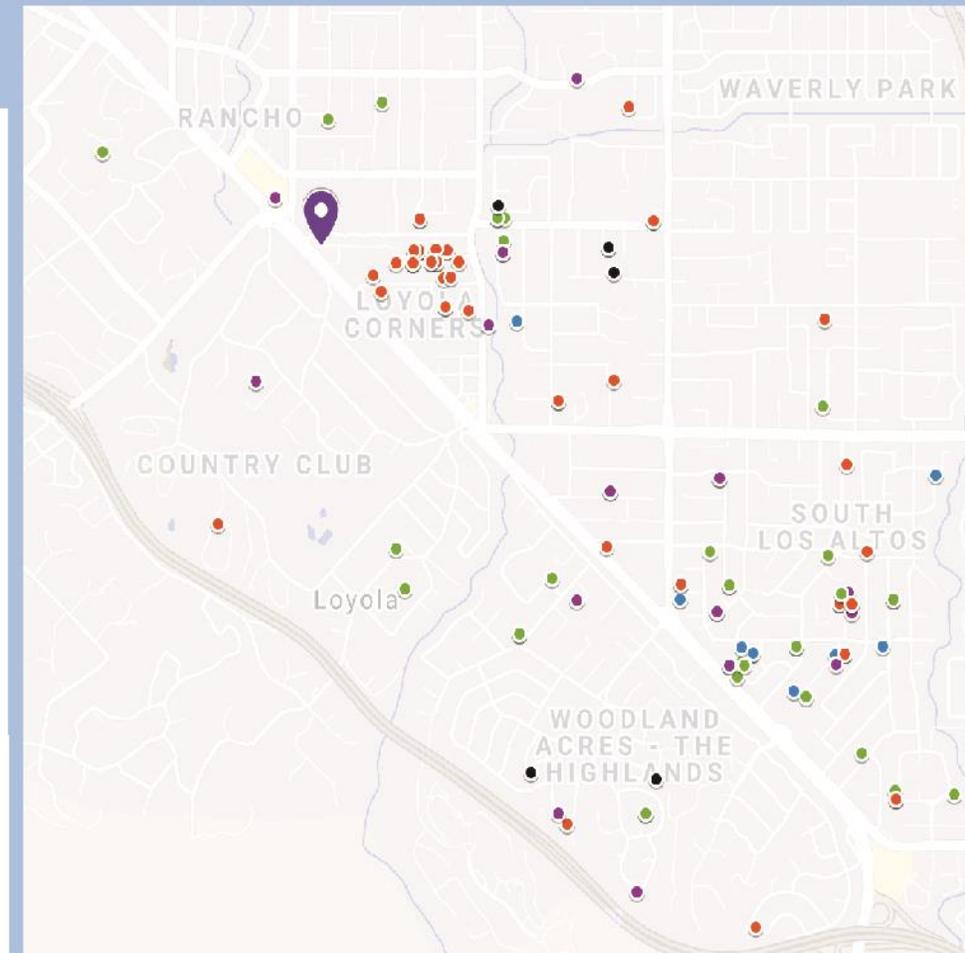
North Los Altos

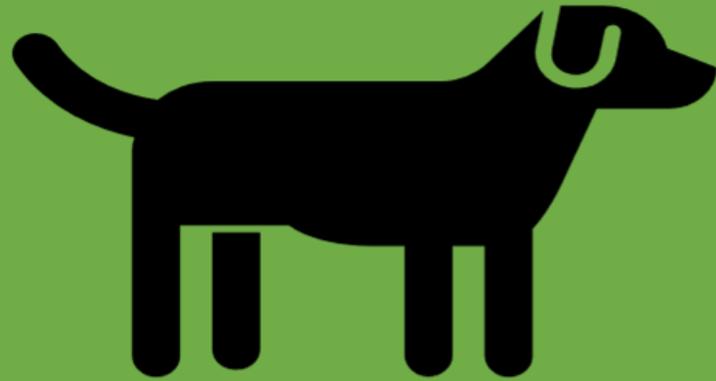


Legend

- No Fenced-In Parks
- Both Locations
- McKenzie
- Not at these Locations
- South Lincoln
- Other / No data
- 📍 South Lincoln Park
- 📍 McKenzie Park

South Los Altos





Off-Leash Hours Pilot Program Results



Off-Leash Descriptive Statistics

Total Participants: 284 (5 “No Response”)

Responses for one or both locations: 179 (63%)

- Hillview: 33 (11.6%)
- Heritage Oaks: 21 (07.3%)
- Both Locations: 125 (44%)

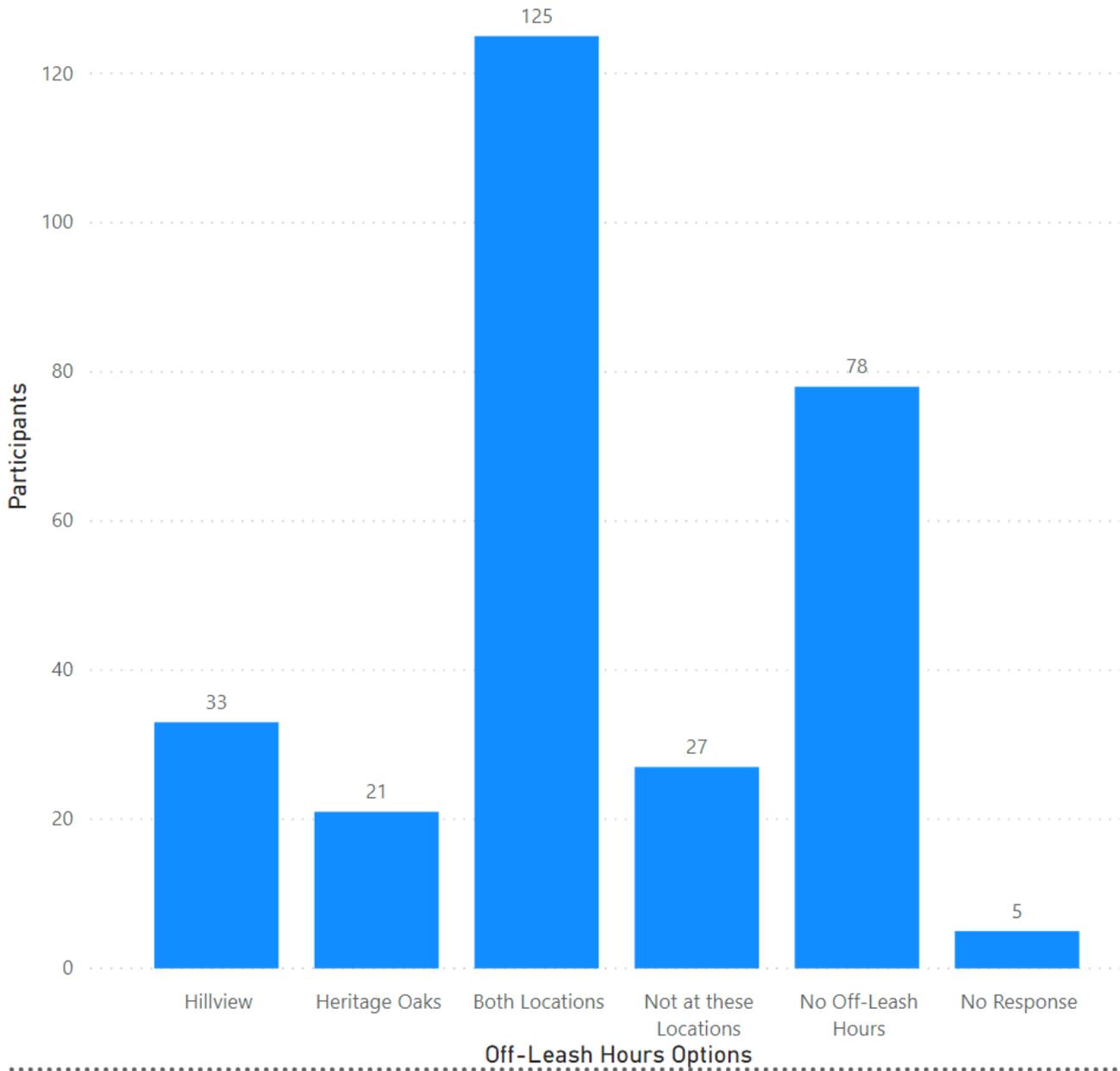
Responses for “Not at these Locations”: 27 (09.5%)

Responses for “No to Off-Leash Hours”: 78 (27.4%)

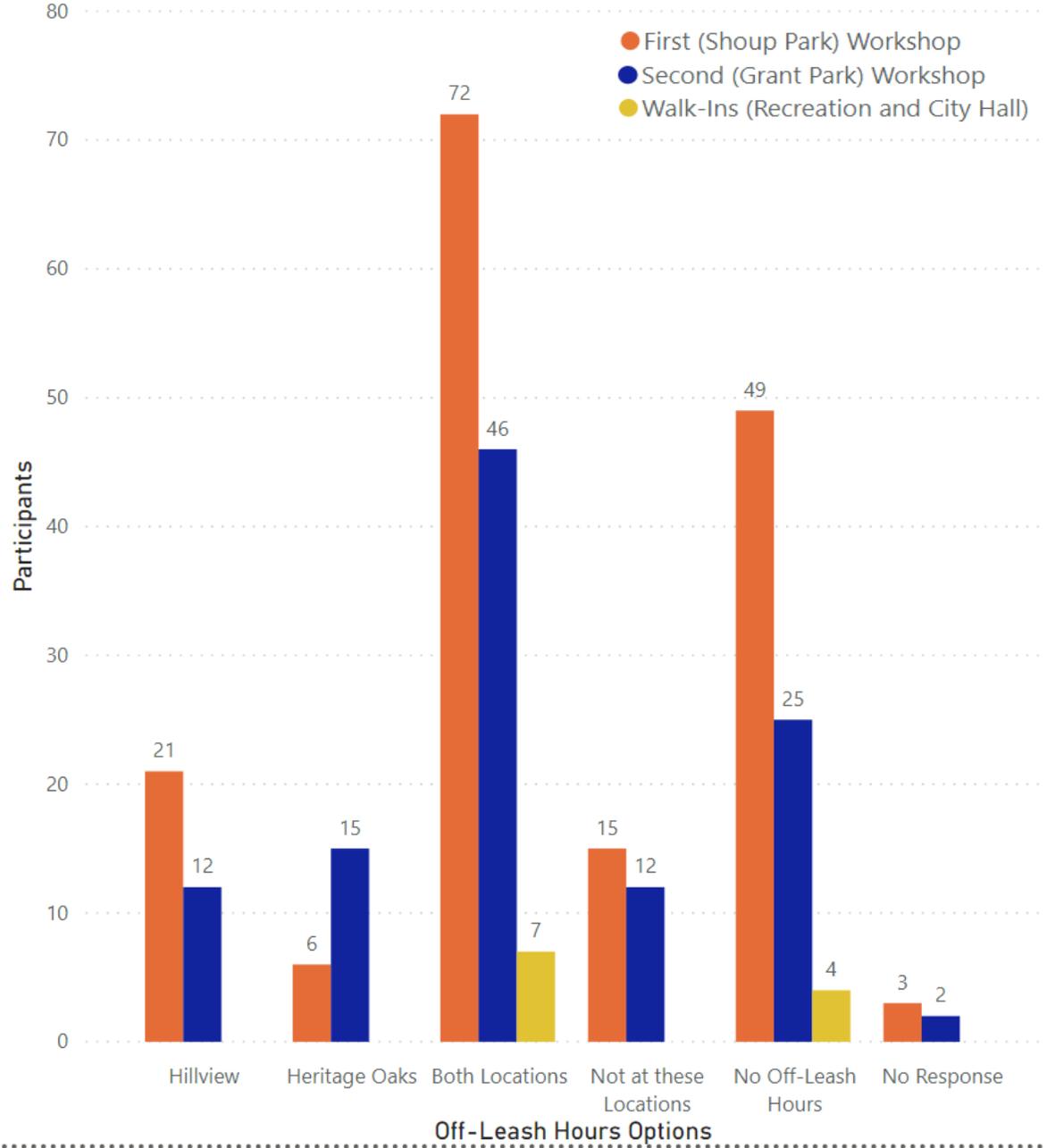
Next Popular Off-leash locations were:

- Grant Park (13); All Parks (6); Rosita Park (5)

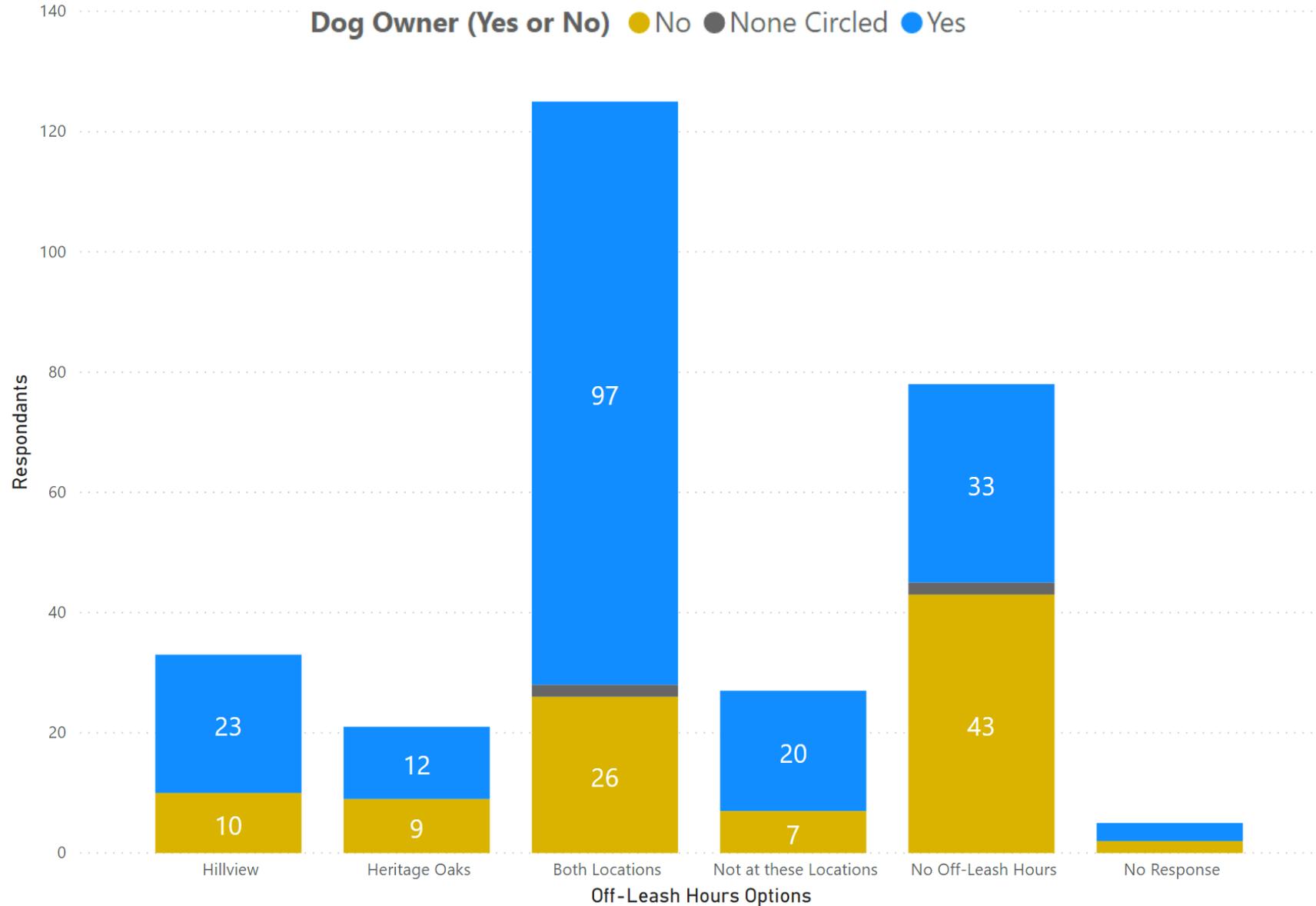
Off-Leash Pilot Program Options



Off-Leash Pilot Program Options by Workshop

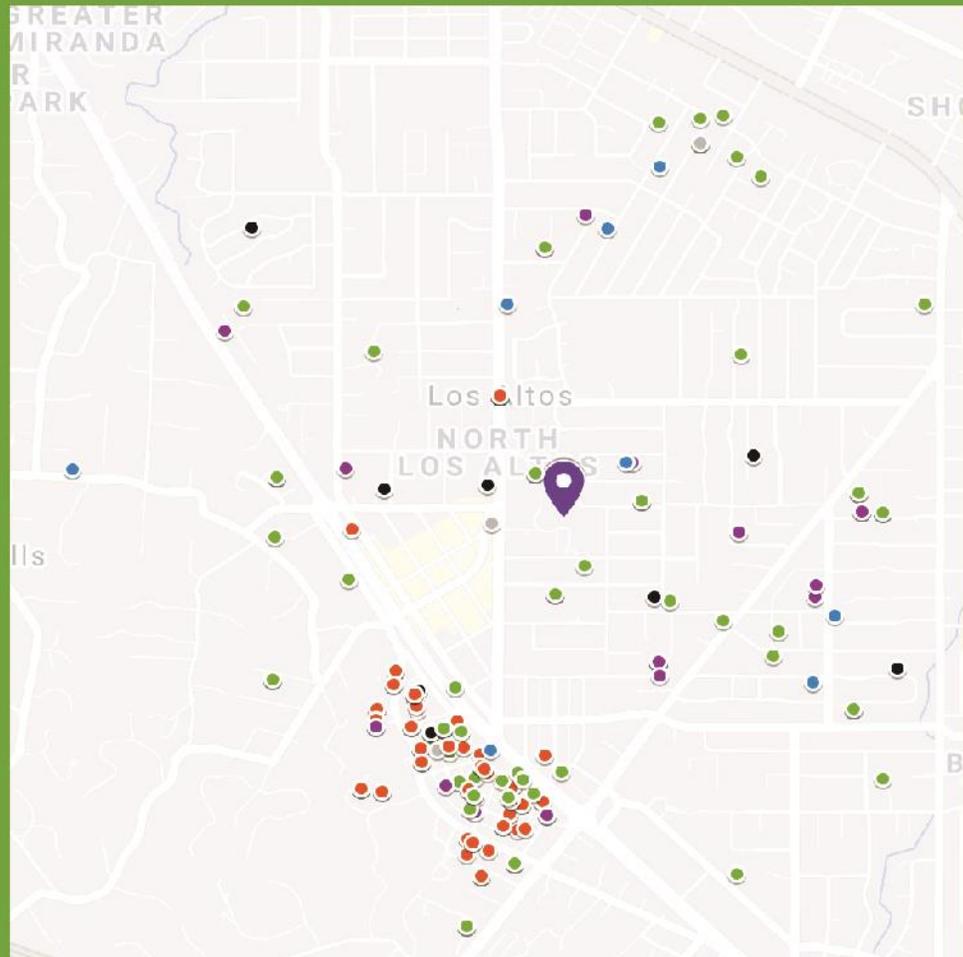


Off-Leash Pilot Program Options by Dog Ownership



Off-Leash Hours Preference by Address

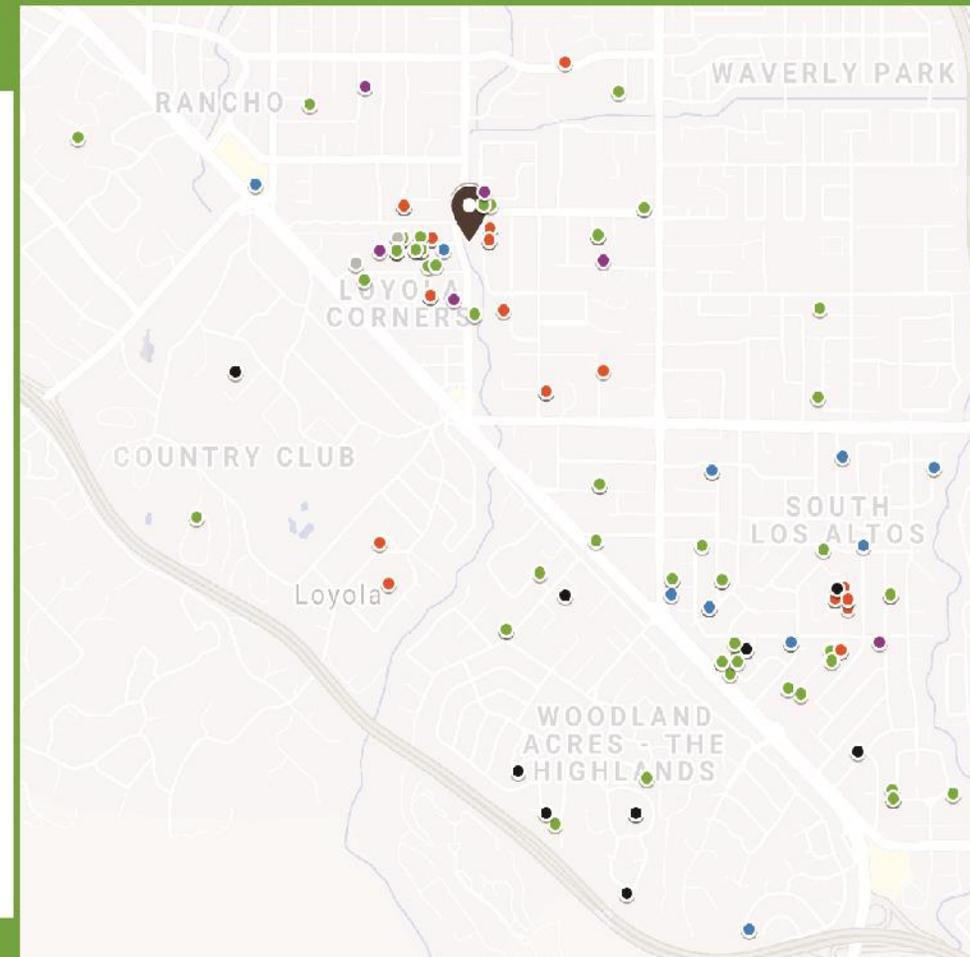
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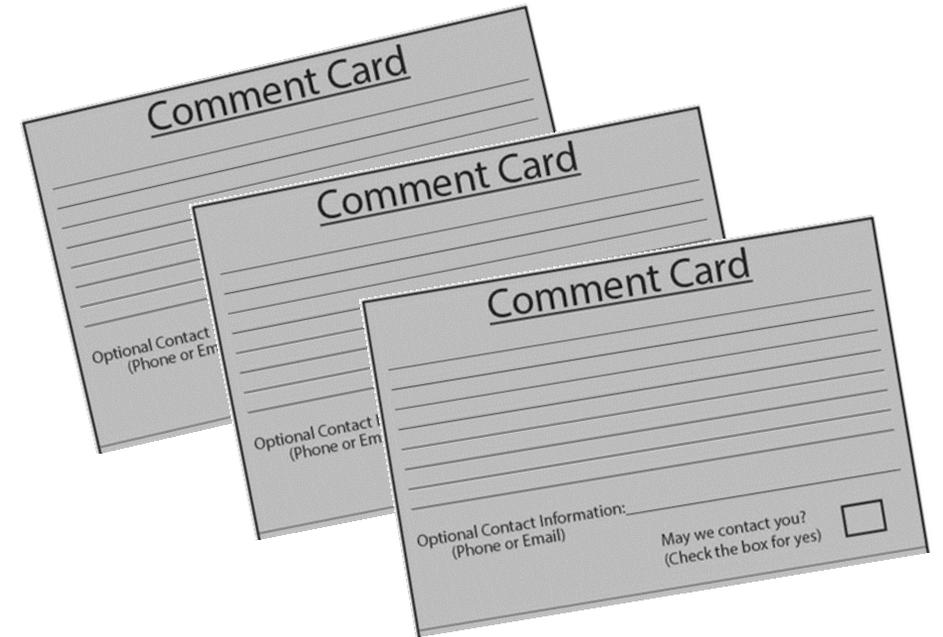
Legend

- Both Locations
- No Off-Leash Hours
- Hillview
- Not at these Locations
- Heritage Oaks
- Other / No data
- 📍 Hillview Field
- 📍 Heritage Oaks Park

South Los Altos



Comment Cards - Responses



Total # of Dog Park Comment Cards: 256

The topics with the greatest number of related comments:

- Green space (losing it, wanting to maintain it/keep it, etc) 26
- Dog parks are ugly 9
- Dog parks are dirty/unclean/unsanitary 9
- Worry about dog park attacks 8
- Want new park space, overall 8
- Worries about parking/traffic 7
- Dog parks are costly (to build/maintain): 4

Community-driven Dog Park Input

- **Commission Meeting Inspired Emails** 23: 19 workshop ballots; 4 no workshop ballots of which 2 opposed to South Lincoln Park; 1 Rosita Park; 1 signage & fenced-in dog park; 8 no to Off-leash hours at Heritage Oaks Park
- **Lincoln Park Neighborhood Survey** – Opposition to fenced-in dog park in South Lincoln Park: 111 participants/56 workshop duplications
- **Community Petition** – Support of fenced-in dog park in South Lincoln Park: 223 participants/123 Los Altos residents – no cross-referencing
- **McKenzie Park Neighborhood Petition** – Opposition to fenced-in dog park in McKenzie Park: 48 participants/ 7 workshop duplications
- **Community Questionnaire** – Support for off-leash hours in various parks: 84 participants/28 workshop duplications

Thank You!

Questions?



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